## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA SOUTHERN DIVISION

JOYCE MCKIVER, et al.,	)
Plaintiffs,	)
v.	) No. 7:14-CV-180-BR
MURPHY-BROWN, LLC d/b/a SMITHFIELD HOG PRODUCTION DIVISION,	) ) ) )
Defendant.	) ) )
WOODELL MCGOWAN, et al., Plaintiffs,	) ) )
v.	) No. 7:14-CV-182-BR
MURPHY-BROWN, LLC, d/b/a SMITHFIELD HOG PRODUCTION DIVISION,	) ) ) )
Defendant.	) ) )
EUNICE ANDERSON, et al.,	)
Plaintiffs,	)
v.	) No. 7:14-CV-183-BR
MURPHY-BROWN, LLC,	)
Defendant.	)

ANNJEANETTE GILLIS, et al.,	)
Plaintiffs,	)
v.	) No. 7:14-CV-185-BR
MURPHY-BROWN, LLC,	)
Defendant.	) ) )
BEN ARTIS, et al.,	)
Plaintiffs,	)
v.	) No. 7:14-CV-237-BR
MURPHY-BROWN, LLC, d/b/a SMITHFIELD HOG PRODUCTION DIVISION,	) ) )
Defendant.	) ) )

## **ORDER**

This matter is before the court on plaintiffs' motion to enter a standing order, <sup>1</sup> (DE # 76), and defendant's counter-proposal and response in opposition, (DE # 84). Having considered the parties' respective positions and for good cause shown, the motion is ALLOWED as follows.

1. Should any party choose not to respond to a motion in limine or <u>Daubert</u> motion, it may file a notice indicating that the party elects to stand or rely on the court's prior order on the issue and will not file a response absent a request to do so from the court.

## 2. Motion papers:

a. All motion papers and responses shall identify in the first paragraph:

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Although plaintiffs filed the motion only in the <u>Artis</u> case, plaintiffs request that a standing order be entered in all of the above-captioned cases. (DE # 77, at 5.)

i. any prior orders of the court addressing the issue raised in the subject motion;

ii. any differences in the facts relevant to the prior motion and the instant motion; and

iii. any differences in the legal arguments made in prior motions and the instant motion.

- b. Memoranda in support of or opposition to non-<u>Daubert</u> motions in limine are limited to five pages.
  - c. No replies are permitted with respect to any motions without leave of court.

## 3. Jury instructions:

- a. The court will use jury instructions from the first McKiver trial as the default set;
- b. To the extent that the parties want to request instructions that differ from the instructions given in <u>McKiver</u>, whether additions or deletions, they shall submit their proposed changes in a format clearly identifying those additions or deletions with respect to the <u>McKiver</u> charge; and
- c. If a party does not want the jury instructions to be changed, no submission is necessary.
- 4. The parties will continue to file proposed verdict forms for the court's consideration.
- 5. Deposition designations:

The parties shall indicate on the proposed Pretrial Order the following in bold font:

a. Any designations or counter-designations of testimony different from previous cases; and

b. Any objections to such designations that are new or different from previous cases.

This 6 June 2018.

W. Earl Britt

Senior U.S. District Judge